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ENGINEERS AND SCIENTISTS RECEIVE AWARDS

At the recent Engineer Day celebration at the Waterways Experiment site of the U. S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC), several employees received honors.

Dr. Bryant Mather, director emeritus of the ERDC Structures Laboratory, received a Senior Executive Service Commendation for his outstanding service in the Senior Executive Service since his appointment in 1979. Mather demonstrated the highest levels of initiative, competence, professionalism and selfless devotion to duty in his execution of programs supporting a total force of quality soldiers and civilians.

Dr. Douglas Clarke, ERDC Environmental Laboratory, received the Decoration for Meritorious Civilian Service for his exceptional accomplishments while serving as the Technical Manager of the Environmental Windows Focus Area of the Dredging Operations Environmental Research Program. He developed new and innovative tools for the negotiation of environmental windows to improve dredging operations flexibility through rigorous technical evaluation of restrictions.

Dr. James May, ERDC Geotechnical Laboratory, received the Decoration for Superior Civilian Service for his exemplary performance as a research geologist. He ably represented the geologic expertise of the Corps of Engineers within the international geologic community through his research, leadership and professional publications.

Dr. Jim Pennington, Director of the ERDC Graduate Institute, also received the Decoration for Superior Civilian Service for his exceptional performance as manager of the ERDC Laboratory Personnel Management Demonstration Project. Pennington exhibited exceptional vision, strategic thinking and understanding of the critical challenges facing the personnel management arena.

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